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THE BITTER BIT.

Informant Tricked Out of \$3,700.

A smart trick was played upon a police spy on Wednesday and in consequence the police department is \$3,700 the poorer. The story of the ruse was told in the Police Court yesterday during the hearing of a charge of dealing in arms and ammunition preferred against two Chinese.

It appears from the story unfolded to Mr. Wood that Inspector Gordon gave two police informants certain instructions in consequence of which they entered into negotiations for the purchase of arms and ammunition. After the usual preliminaries the parties arranged to meet on the Praia, whence they rowed out to the steamship Monte Carlo in sampans. During the trip out the informants and the salesmen haggled about the price to be paid for arms and it was eventually agreed to everybody's satisfaction that Mausers should be bought at \$75 each and Brownings at \$45. Five bags containing arms were lowered by a man alleged to be one of the defendants, from the ship to the sampan, and during this proceeding the first defendant asked to be shown some money as a guarantee of good faith. One of the informants took from his pocket \$3,700 lent to him for the purposes of the case by the police, and handed it to the first defendant. It is alleged that this man thrust it, as he thought, unseen, into a small bag which he carried and so then should out that he had lost the money. It is alleged that while the informants' attention was thus distracted the bag of money was hauled up to the ship's deck by one of the defendants in sight of the informants, and that when they eventually were able to get aboard it had disappeared. The two defendants were arrested and were remanded till to-morrow at 11 a.m., when Mr. Leo D'Almada o Castro will defend them.

The police objected to bail being granted, but Mr. Wood allowed defendants out on their depositing \$2,000 each.

WOMEN AND WIVES.

Many people in India have commented on the curious nomenclature which is adopted in Army returns by which female passengers on transports become classified as officers' ladies, sergeants' wives and soldiers' women. Some have evidently been complaining in Calcutta that the last term is disrespectful to the wives of men in the ranks. A correspondent of a contemporary, who signs himself "An Officer's Wife," amusingly reminds us that in former days the legend ran thus: "The colonel's lady, the major's wife and the subaltern's 'poor thing.' She suggests that the customary use of the present terms might be reversed, so that the men's wives should be known as ladies and the officers' wives be described by the "very ancient and honourable word" women. But would it not be simpler to treat them all alike and call them all wives, which is a term equally honourable and ancient? (The Englishman.)

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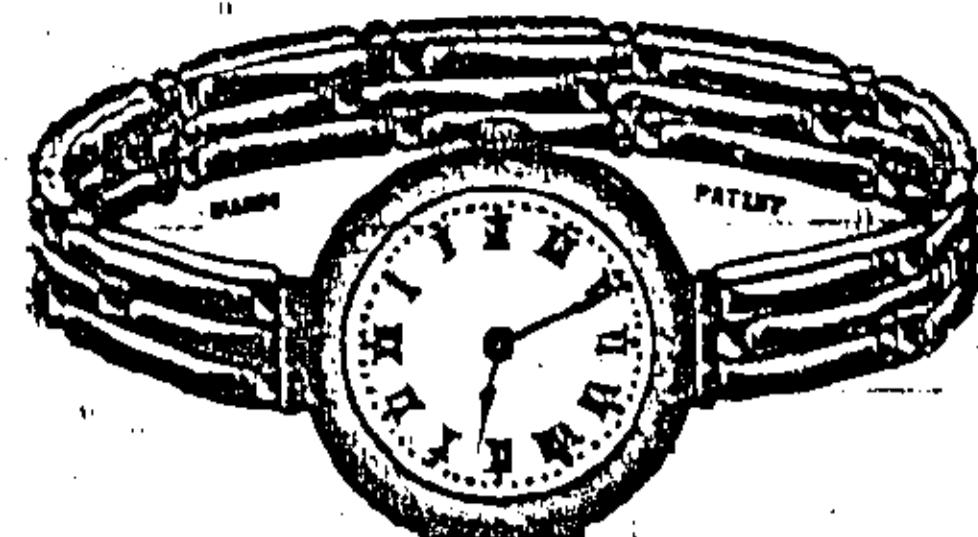
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A MEETING will be held that evening
at 5.30 in the Office of Messrs JARDINE,
MATHER & CO., Ltd., to make all
necessary arrangements.

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firemen, under Mr. S. G. Gamble, the
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Mr. Arthur R. Dyer (divisional officer)
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officers). The London Salvage Corps,
under Colonel Fox, co-operated with the
brigade.

Awakened by smoke which had penet-
rated into the room which he occupied
with three other men, Thomas Piddock,
a porter, was the first to give the alarm.
Finding that the kitchen was well alight,
and that the fire was being fed from the
servants' larder, he stopped for a moment to
pour a bucket of water down the larder
well. Against the draught that was
being forced up the well such efforts were
obviously of no avail, and Piddock hurried
to summon the Fire Brigade.

200 FIREMEN.

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Arouased from their sleep some of the
inmates of the flats, many clad only in
night attire, beat a speedy retreat by
means of the safety doors, not daring
to risk the danger that the staircase of
the chambers might also be in flames,
while others, being assured that the fire
had not caught the stair, left with more
deliberation. One of the tenants, a
crippled lady, had, however, on account
of deafness, not been made aware of the
occurrence, and a policeman who accompanied
Piddock to effect her rescue had to burst
the lock of her room door before she knew
of her dangerous position. The
outbreak not having extended below
the second uppermost storey, her removal
from the building was accomplished with
out much difficulty.

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Up in the rooms occupied by the staff
the rapidly-spreading fire had created a
difficulty which gave a great reason for
alarm. Finding their flight cut off by
the flames, three men and four women
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DAILY PROGRESS VISIBLE.

At no time since the beginning of actual physical work upon it—in March, 1912—has the site of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition presented such a scene of activity as at present. The great exhibit palaces now rapidly rising and the numerous lesser structures of many kinds combine to form an Exposition City of striking effect, in the process of making. Each day reveals progress in its evolution that is little short of amazing, when the vast scope of the undertaking is considered.

In the centre of the site paralleling San Francisco harbour for more than one mile is to be seen a vast net work of timber, the huge frames of the central group of exhibit palaces. A good sized army would soon lose beneath the huge beams, girders and trusses. Thousands of men employed by different contractors, each of whom is striving for a record, are at work. As the frames are added to, each day records a visible change in the exhibit palaces.

Curious visitors, who nowadays are arriving in great numbers, leave with the deeply settled conviction that President C. C. Moore's promise that the exposition palaces will be ready for occupancy several months before the opening of the celebration on February 4, 1915, will be fulfilled to the letter.

Entering the grounds from Fillmore street, the visitor is struck at once by the array of vast structures arising from what, less than a year ago was a desert expanse of sand, but is now showing daily more and more acres of bright green lawns, in which beautiful flowers and shrubs will soon be planted. The most striking of all the palaces just now in the Palace of Machinery, a giant structure, the largest wooden building in the world, covering an area of about eight acres. Its frame was long since completed. It is now walled and roofed in and floored, and the stucco covering, in imitation of the famous Travertine marble of Italy, is being put on with accelerating rapidity. The huge pillars are in place, and so are most of the cornices, capitals and friezes, while in two big warehouses nearby may be seen examples of the heroic statuary, by the best sculptors, that will adorn the various palaces, for palaces they really are, in both size and grandeur.

To the left as one enters the Fillmore street gate, stands the completed Service Building, imposing in its simplicity but artistic beauty, with green lawns and flower beds bright with blossoms around it. Close to it is a new fire house of becoming architecture, white to the north, across the broad avenue and the standard gauge railroad tracks laid to hasten the delivery of building material and exhibits, the great frames of fast growing exhibit palaces, the nearest one being that of Varied Industries, the construction of which has been rushed so during the months since its frame was commenced that already the staff work is being applied. Just beyond this is the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy, the progress upon which is marked every 24 hours.

Indeed, the doors of all the eight immediately adjacent exhibit palaces have been laid for some time, and all save that of Transportation are in frame. The best evidence of the industry that is being applied to the work of construction is obtained by leaving the grounds and returning in, say, 48 or 72 hours. The progress even in that short time is impressive.

Adjoining the Palace of Varied Industries is the Palace of Manufactures, and to the west of it are the frames of the Palaces of Liberal Arts, Education and Food Products. That of Education is nearly all roofed and walled in and the staff work is about to be applied. The frame of the Palace of Agriculture has just been started.

Walking along the south side of the main group of exhibit palaces, the green grass of the great south garden grows luxuriantly and the site for the Palace Horticulture appears ready for the beginning of its foundation. The sound of hammers, derricks, and electric machinery is heard on every hand, while millions of feet of lumber, from the mills in the north, as hand, ready for the builders as fast as needed.

Turning to the north, at the west end of the Palaces of Education and of Food Products, scores of teams and workmen are seen grading the sites for the Palace of Fine Arts and for various buildings of foreign governments and the states of the Union. To the southward, a few hundred yards away, stands the pavilion of the Republic of Honduras, the first foreign building to be erected, with its roof on and its stucco covering more than half completed.

To the westward lie the broad acres that will be devoted to foreign and state building, the drill grounds, live stock exhibit and aviation field, through which the tracks of the new railroad extend and upon which an army of graders is at work.

Now turning to the right, or east, past the Palaces of Food Products, the visitor enters upon the broad esplanade of the Marina, which is to be the vast northern garden of the Exposition. The sound of machinery, of hammers, of moving men and horses and vehicles grows more intense. In the yacht harbour lie several coast-wise steamers, discharging their cargoes of lumber and other supplies, while rock bunkers and cranes add a new noise to the surroundings.

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New Department's Work.

The India Office has issued an interesting report on the work of the Indian Students' Department, which was established in 1909, on the recommendation of a departmental committee, for the purpose of helping Indian students who go to Britain for education to secure the facilities they require and to deal with the difficulties they encounter. The department, it is pointed out, has no powers of discipline or coercion, and has no desire to interfere with students' freedom. But it is important that Indians who come to study in Great Britain should be able to obtain such assistance as they need to make their studies satisfactory and useful. It is even more important that men who represent the better educated classes in India, and whose influence with the younger generation is out of all proportion to their numbers, should take back with them on their return an assurance of goodwill and a conviction that Indians may count on receiving fair and liberal treatment in Britain.

Of late years the number of students has greatly increased, and it is estimated that there are now some 1,000 or 1,700 in the United Kingdom. Many come to qualify as barristers or to join the older universities, the hospitals, and medical schools of England and Scotland. And with the increase of industrial openings in India many more come every year to study technical subjects—engineering in all its branches, spinning and weaving, dyeing and bleaching, milling and farm-ing, mining, tanning, sugar-making, soap-making—almost every variety of industry and trade.

They are (says the report) British subjects seeking the training which they cannot find at home. It is right that they should seek it in the United Kingdom rather than in America or Germany or Japan. And so long as there are comparatively few facilities in India for advanced or technical education, there is likely to be a steady and increasing flow of Indian students to this country. The great majority, it is stated, do credit to their training here.

LITTLE GUARDIANSHIP.

To the value of the department's work the scope of its activities bears ample testimony. Every mail brings from India inquiries of wide range as to the opportunities for education in this country, and the department sends back advice and information in reply. Every day it is being consulted by students here and by institutions which they apply to; supplying information on matters of training, corresponding with tutors and professors on their behalf, furnishing advice and recommendations on a great variety of subjects—from the choice of lodgings to the choice of a career—giving or procuring certificates, introductions, passports, when required.

Sometimes the department is asked by Indian parents to undertake a limited guardianship over their sons, that is, to take charge of their finances, and thus to exercise a certain measure of control. This means receiving the young men on their arrival, finding suitable quarters for them, advising them as to their education and expenses, supervising to some extent the administration of their funds, furnishing audited accounts to their parents, and reporting regularly to India about their health and progress. This guardianship is a responsible and difficult task. It is undertaken only at the parents' request, but it has often proved useful to students and satisfactory to their parents.

It will be discharged in future by one of the local advisers for Indian students now established in London, Oxford, Cambridge, Manchester, Edinburgh, and Glasgow, who are in personal touch with the students and in constant communication with the secretary in London. At the end of June last there were 144 students under guardianship, independently of Government scholars, whose allowances are controlled by the India Office. The total amount of the balances standing to their credit and in charge of the local advisers at the same date was £7,534.

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Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Capt. H. P. E. T. Williams	Hongkong
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The senior officer reported to the Commander-in-Chief, who in turn communicated with his official superiors in Whitehall. Whatever may be the exact details, the First Lord clearly put himself in the wrong, or the Sea Lords may not have been first forced to resign and afterwards been induced to withdraw their resignation.

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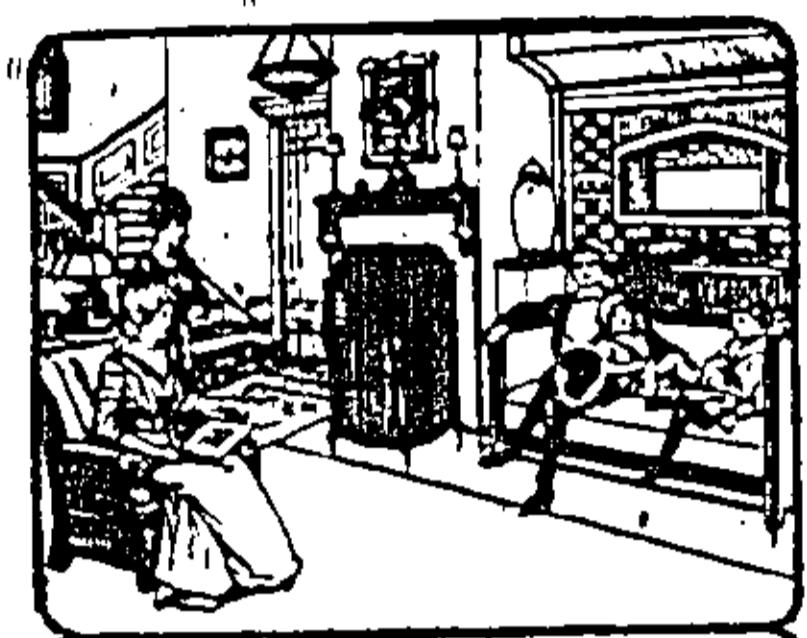
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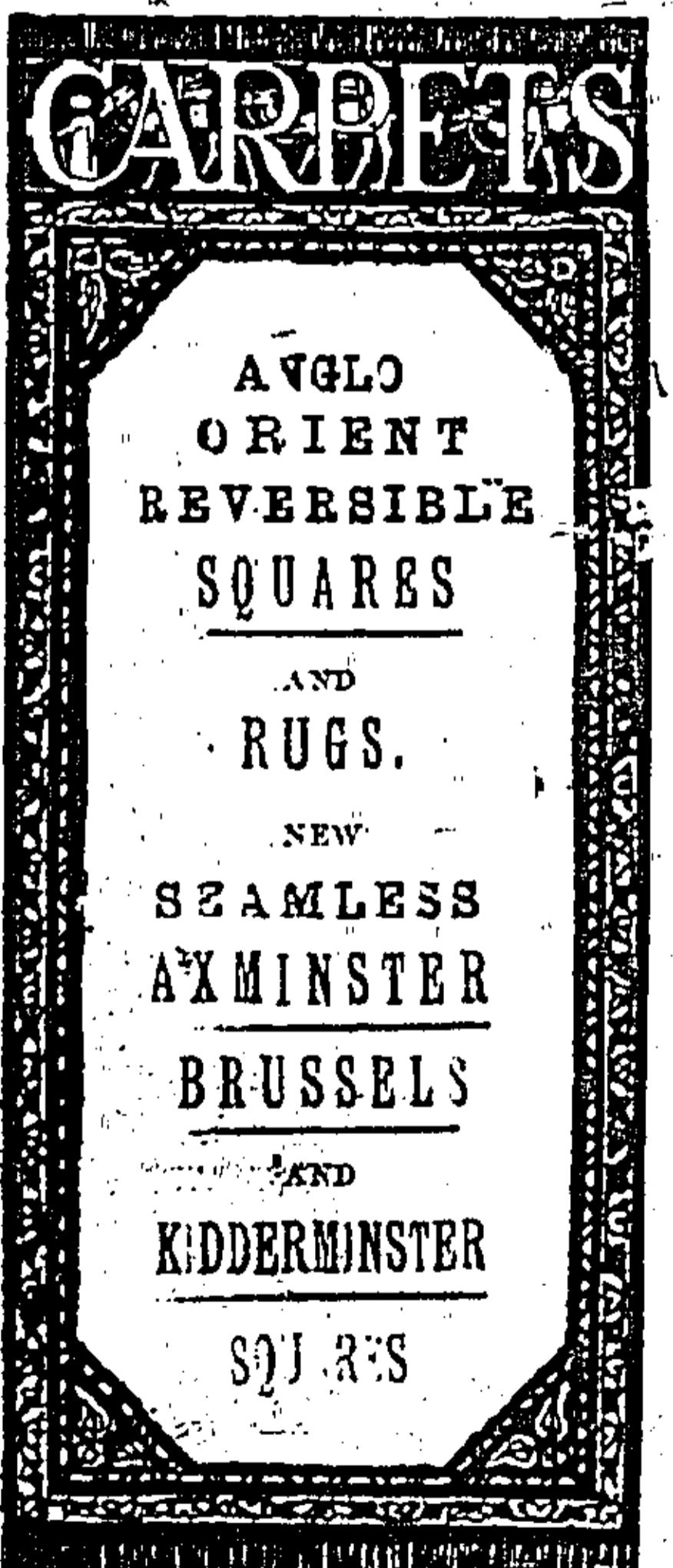
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precise data regarding any of the three vessels, but a consideration of the subject may be profitable from a general point of view, even when we confine ourselves to average results.

The designer of warships has always envied those responsible for the plans of the merchantman, because there has never been prescribed the same limits to the development in size of the liner as is applied in the case of the warship. This follows from the fact that the growth in the displacement tonnage of the merchantman means, at least, a proportionate augmentation in earning capacity, and results, moreover, in a still greater degree of popularity with the travelling public. The former is a direct result, because the growth in dimensions adds to the area of the passenger decks, and, in some cases, to the capacity for carrying cargo; while so far as the latter point is concerned, it is recognised that the larger the ship the better she stands up against the storms of the ocean, and there is the greater prospect too that, as a structure, she is correspondingly stronger. In the warship, however, increase in displacement tonnage is only justified by increased fighting power, and while every advance has, in the past, been justified by a still larger increase in offensive power, there is ever the argument in favour of smaller ships, based upon the proverb concerning the safety of eggs in separate baskets. Again, increased length is a factor tending towards higher propulsive efficiency. A long ship can be driven at a given high speed with relatively less power than a shorter ship. There is practically no disadvantage in the case of the merchant ship in increased length, but in the case of the warship the cost increases in much greater ratio, owing to the increased length of broadside, which requires to be protected by armour of great thickness and cost. Thus, it may be taken that while the cost of an ocean liner of the largest size works out at something like £2000 per foot of length of ship, the rate for the modern battleship or battle cruiser is not less than £3500, even when we exclude the guns and gun-mountings. The difference, due entirely to the weight of armour, would be considerably more if it were possible to deduct from the outlay for the Atlantic liner the great cost of the elaborate decorations in the passenger quarters of the modern ship, which have no counterpart whatever in the warship.

Because of this limitation in length the warship designer is obliged to increase the beam of the ship in order to limit the draught. The great Atlantic ships are required to enter only such ports as New York, Liverpool, and Southampton, where depths of water are available to permit ship draughts of 35 ft. to 38 ft. The depth to which warships are immersed must be limited, so that they can enter a great variety of harbours and fight in waters where the depth is not great. Thus it comes that warships have a proportion of length to beam of about 7 to 1, as compared with 9 to 1 in the case of Atlantic merchantmen. Greater precaution requires to be exercised in order to reduce in every conceivable way the weight put into the ship. Thus, while in the case of the British ships the sacrifice made is always consistent with the attainment of a higher degree of reliability than in the case of most warships for foreign Powers, it cannot be said that the conditions are so favourable, from this point of view, as in many merchant ships. The latter vessels require to steam from port to port, at given times irrespective of wind, weather, and sea, and to maintain a precision in respect of hours of arrival which, considering the length of the voyage, may be favourably compared with the running of trains in the great trunk lines. Consequently the aim is rather to ensure reliability, and, as far as possible, duplication in order to overcome the difficulties of breakdowns, rather to minimise weight. In respect of structural strength, too, the stresses involved in steaming at a high rate across the North Atlantic in the teeth of a winter gale are much more severe than may always be accepted in connection with the design of a warship; but it must not be assumed that, either in connection with reliability or structural, either type of ship shows marked superiority.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The steamer Loongsang ran against the breakwater on Saturday when leaving Manila, owing to a temporary derangement of the steering gear.

Sergt. Collinge, R. E., an instructor at the Volunteer Camp at Han Hau, has had the misfortune to fall and got his head badly cut open. He was conveyed to Bowen Road Military Hospital in an ambulance.

Five copies were fined \$6 each at the Police Court for unlawfully trespassing on the premises. Mr. C. M. Moore, Captain Superintendent of Police. A charge of opium smoking preferred against one of the men was dismissed.

Two Hongkong police officers, Inspectors Pat and M. O'Sullivan returned from home leave to-day and resumed duty. Both officers were married during their holiday and brought out their brides.

Five boatpeople were charged at the Police Court to-day with stealing coal belonging to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha the total amount on the charge sheet being seven tons worth \$80. Mr. Dixon defended two of the prisoners, and a remand was ordered.

The Cobet Cards and their Joker again gave an excellent entertainment last night which merited a better house. The audience, though small, was very enthusiastic; much laughter and loud applause coming especially from the stalls. To-night they give their last performance in Hongkong, and as they are putting on an entire change of programme they no doubt will draw the crowded house they deserve.

The bearing of the motion for the dismissal of the action brought by Chinese officials against Chung Su Nam on the ground that it was frivolous and vexatious and an abuse of the process of the Court was continued before their Honours the Chief Justice (Sir William Reed Davies) and the Justice Judge (Mr. Justice Gomperts) in the Full Court this afternoon. Mr. Sharp continued his address in a point to the motion.

A large audience at the Seamen's Institute last evening enjoyed an excellent concert programme arranged by Mrs. H. E. Pollock. The first part consisted of vocal and instrumental items, which were all well received, and after the interval a very amusing comedy "Wire-tanglement" occupied the attention of the audience. The full programme is appended. Part I: Violin solo, Miss Rosaline P'Farr; recitation, "The Stage Sailor," the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock; song, "Awake, awake," Mrs. O'Hara; song, the Hon. Mr. Claud Sovern; violin solo, Mrs. Murray Scott; Irish comic song, Colonel O'Hars; H. M. S. Minotaur's glee singers, "Men of Harlech" and the Soldiers' Chorus from "Faust." Part II: Pianoforte selection, Pte. A. B. Haarne, A.O.C.; comedy, "A Wire Entanglement" (Robert McFaham—Thomas Highbury (assistant editor of "The Union Jack"); Mr. Walter Seiger; Cristabel Tomlinson (our own correspondent of "The Tuna"); Miss D. Waller; Josiah Sprague and Millicent Hicks (short-hand writers); Mr. H. M. Fordham, R. E., and Miss N. Waller. At the close the Rev. D. B. Reynolds, Seamen's chaplain thanked the artists and Mrs. Pollock on behalf of the audience.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. A. Brooke Smith arrived from Shanghai to-day by the English Mail.

Sir Pelham Warren, K.C.M.G., presided at the first Hawker Dinner held at the Tropicana Restaurant, London, on December 20.

Major L. E. B. Dykes, B.G.A., who gave up the command of the 88th Coy., R.G.A., Hongkong, in 1912, to take up the appointment of Major Instructor in Gunner, Shoeburyness, has been placed on the temporary half-pay list on account of ill-health.

Of the R.G.A. officers who left Hongkong for home last trooping season, Captain J. L. Stanhouse has been posted to No. 4 Dept., R.G.A., at Great Yarmouth; Lieutenant G. W. W. Tresidder to 10th Siege Coy., R.G.A., Plymouth; and Lieutenant H. G. Patis to 35th Heavy Battery, R.G.A. Farnham.

AMERICAN ENGLISH.

Plan for Higher Standard.

It has been announced that Yale and Harvard, America's greatest universities, will henceforth insist that the students shall speak and write better English. Owing largely to the great influx of foreign English in the United States has been rather a low club lately, and it is the thought that steps should be taken before it is too late to achieve the much needed reform. Judge Gran. of Boston, an authority and just, deserves credit for calling attention to the fact that the conversation of the average university man here is below that of the average man in Oxford and Cambridge, and she maintained that Yale and Harvard should lead the way in effecting an improvement.

THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL.

PRIZE DAY.

The Bishop of Victoria, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lander, presided at the annual distribution of prizes at the Diocesan School and Orphanage this morning, the pupils receiving their awards at the hands of the Hon. Mr. Claude Sovern, Colonial Secretary. Also present were the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, secretary of the school, Mr. G. Flurey, headmaster, Mr. E. R. Irving, Director Education, Rev. A. D. Stewart, the Vicar Archdeacon, Rev. Mr. C. Pepe and a number of ladies.

The headmaster, in his report stated that he had much pleasure in testifying to the hearty co-operation of the staff in the work which has been accomplished during the year. School was taught on 242 working days: the enrollment was 882; the average attendance 278; of which the unusually large number of 140 were in the upper and remove classes, and 124 in the lower; 31 attended every June and 18 boys were absent only one day. The staff consisted of six English masters (besides Mr. W. H. Virchow who was on furlough in July after five years' good work), three English mistresses and six Chinese teachers. There was one teacher to eighteen boys in average attendance, or one English teacher to 20 boys. Mr. R. G. Southerton, a trained and certified teacher from Liverpool Boys' Orphanage arrived in September; Mrs. Langley resigned in May and was replaced by Mrs. Audley from a Committee Council School. During Mrs. Tuxford's absence from May to November Mrs. Harris Walker was Matron. Mr. Virchow's health had been excellent. Discipline and tone were good. While three boys entered the Hongkong University, and fourteen left the Colony to complete their education in Europe or America, most of the pupils follow commercial pursuits: accordingly much time is given to commercial subjects. In the July short-term examination, under the auspices of Pitman's Phonetic Institute, 34 boys gained elementary certificates, 10 theory, 5 certificates in speed and 3 prizes. The boys also practice typewriting. After expressing the opinion that Hongkong University local examinations are needed on account of the local matriculation examination being too rigid and limited the Headmaster went on to say that in July 60 boys entered for the Oxford Local: 60 passed, viz. 11 in senior, 10 in junior, 39 in preliminary, including 8 in preliminary honours and one distinguished in mathematics. Senior and junior boys did very well indeed in book-keeping, arithmetic, history, and geography; in the preliminary the best papers were in mathematics, religious knowledge, heat and drawing. As evidenced by the weekly and half-yearly examinations, good work is done throughout the school, but in some subjects in the remove and lower classes the amount has been less and the quality poorer than formerly. As suggested by Sir Henry May last February more attention had been given to Latin, which is begun a year earlier, viz. in class 5a. The Director of Education awarded the Hymns Challenge Shield instituted by the Hymns Challenge Committee to the Hymns of the school. The Headmaster had found it necessary to take away the school playing ground as large and better situated one was in course of construction and would be shortly ready for use—an announcement which was received with applause.

The thanks of those present to the Hon. Claude Sovern were expressed by Archdeacon Barnett and the Rev. N. C. Pope.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

CLOSING OF ENTRIES.

Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club are reminded that entries for the next Race Meeting close to Mr. T. F. Hough, Clerk of the Course to-morrow. Those entering pony entries are requested to send their entries to the office of the Hongkong Jockey Club, No. 3 Chater Road, ground floor of the Hongkong Club Annexes, before 2 p.m.

AUCTION OF RACE HORSES.

At the Race Course this morning Messrs. Hughes and Hough sold by auction several ponies, including a few "discards" which averaged about \$75 each, and the unaccepted Subscription Griffis which was bought by Mr. Kadourie for \$30.

LUKONGS ACQUITTED.

MAGISTRATE'S COMMENT ON TAI HANG VILLAGERS.

The two Lukongs and the station sooties stationed at Wanchai who were charged last week with larceny from the person of \$38 on the hills above Tai Hang village, have been discharged by Mr. Harland, who in making his decision known commented upon the lawlessness of Tai Hang villagers generally.

During his fourteen years' experience in the courts of the Colony, Mr. Harland said, he had tried many cases in which people from this village were concerned, and he considered that as a class they were people who gave a great deal of trouble to the police and to the force.

The first defendant, Chinese constable 218, under a vigorous cross examination had given his evidence in a very straightforward and satisfactory manner though it was his first appearance in the witness box during his eight months' service in the force; and he found the evidence for the prosecution very contradictory.

A PUBLIC NUISANCE.

Chinese Vendor's Gramophone.

A Chinese vendor of "cooling tea," a medicinal beverage which has a great vogue among the Chinese population, was fined \$10 this morning by Mr. Hazland for conducting his business on the footpath, to the obstruction of European residents and others living on the upper levels near the Government Civil Hospital.

Inspector Dymond told his Worship that the man rented the doorway of a shop, paying \$15 a month for it, and conducted his business on the path, attracting people's attention to the virtue of his beverage by noisy gramophone. The strains of this machine penetrated to the hospital and houses on the hillside while the crowd which assembled offered a fine sphere of operations for pickpockets.

Defendant, in addition to being fined, was ordered to stop the noise and conduct his business in a shop.

THE IDOL'S EYE.

Lieut. Cross's Great Spring Production.

It appears we have been misled in attributing the production of "The Idol's Eye" to the Amateur Dramatic Society. Except for friendly approval, the show is quite an independent venture. The date for production have now been definitely fixed for February 12th, 13th and 14th and booking commences at Moutch's at 9 a.m. on January 26th and as there is no advance booking and bumper houses are expected at every performance intending playgoers are advised to secure seats early. The piece is shaping very well at rehearsal and the orchestra of the music (ably carried out by Mr. Roberts, the bandmaster of the D.O.L.I.) brings out an admirable richness of effect in the catchy tunes which Mr. Cross has composed.

This scene of the first act is the lawn of a millionaire's country mansion and in the second act all the characters are conveyed (in characteristic musical comedy fashion) to the beautiful Kull of a Buddhist monastery in China. This gives scope for the Chinese business in which those who witnessed "The Cook" last year will remember that the author excels.

The proceeds of the performances are to be devoted to the Young Women's Hostel, the Garrison Ladies' Help Society and the Maintenance (i.e. not the Building) Fund of the Diocesan Girls' School. All of these are very deserving charities and we wish the talented producer all success in his venture, which will enable us to combine duty with pleasure in this admirable way.

IMPERIAL NAVY.

First Lord and Dominions' Gifts.

Mr. Winston Churchill, M.P., First Lord of the Admiralty, on Dec. 16th, attended a luncheon given by the Navy League to Captain Halsey and the officers of the New Zealand. This little cruiser, the gift to the Imperial Navy of the Dominion whose name she bears, has just completed a voyage around the Empire.

Mr. Churchill, in the course of his speech, said: "The gift of the New Zealand by the Dominion of New Zealand to the Mother Country, at a time of serious crisis, was one of the greatest acts of far-seeing imagination for which any modern State can claim credit. This small community, far away in the recesses of the Pacific, contributed the money out of which this magnificent ship has been built and, when dedicated, without reserve, without condition, and without return, to the general service of the Imperial Navy. (Cheers.) We do our best at all times at the Admiralty to assist Dominions of the Crown in giving effect to this universal impulse of aid to the Imperial Navy according to their different means. We recognise the sacrifices and exertions which Australia is making; we look forward with hope and confidence to the assistance which Canada will bring. The gift of the New Zealand does not rank beneath the exertions or contributions of any of the Dominions and may well be considered in some respects to be an example, and perhaps, a forerunner." — "Daily Telegraph."

COUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to a cold. Don't wait until the dreadful disease attacks your little one before you protect it. It comes in the thought when a child's shape is usually clear and this is the time to act quickly. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storeskeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

JAPAN'S APPALING DISASTER.

REFUGEE'S STORY.

Some "Magnificent But Horrifying."

LONDON, Jan. 15.

A telegram from Reuter's Tokyo correspondent states that the eruptions and earthquakes have resumed as badly as ever, with another tidal wave to the west side of the volcano Sakurashima. It has blown out the fire it had been vomiting on all sides. Many houses, roads and railways have been destroyed and over 70,000 persons are missing.

The first refugees to arrive in Tokyo tell of terrible happenings culminating in a terrible eruption of Sakurashima.

The sky, which was raining fire, was indescribably magnificent but horrifying; and the thunderous noises exceeded those at the bombardment of Port Arthur.

Fugitives from Kagoshima clung to the gunwales of the boats and swarmed outside the trains like flies.

The total death toll can never be known.

Latest Details.

Another telegram from Tokyo states that it is now estimated that 7,000 people are missing at Sakurashima as the result of the eruption. About 100,000 are homeless on the mainland. Ashes fall at Tokyo and devastated the district in which is the home of the Satsuma clan, and known as the garden district of Japan.

Volcanoes are active throughout Japan but no further disaster is feared, as Sakurashima has acted as a safety valve.

The foreign missionaries are safe. Food is scarce.

THE NEW YACHT "SHAMROCK."

Secrecy Being Observed.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

The building of Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht, another of the Shamrock series, is being conducted with the utmost secrecy. However, a rumour gains credence that they have a centre-board.

MEXICAN LOANS.

Payment Suspended.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

A telegram from Mexico City states that the Government has announced that it will not pay the next coupons on the Internal and External Debt.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

NEW CIVIL GOVERNOR FOR CANTON.

PEKING, Jan. 15.

It is believed that Chan Ming Chi, who was Viceroy of Canton at the time of the Revolution, will be appointed head of the civil department in that city.

THE PRESIDENT'S SALARY.

PEKING, Jan. 15.

The salary of the President has been fixed at \$24,000 a month, with an allowance of \$4,000 for expenses. The Vice-President's salary will be \$10,000 a month with \$2,000 as expenses.

INDEMNITY DEMANDS.

PEKING, Jan. 15.

The various nations affected have made the following demands for indemnities for damage suffered by their nationals during the Revolution: Germany \$10,000,000; France \$6,000,000; Russia \$2,100,000; Great Britain \$1,500,000; United States \$1,200,000; Belgium, Denmark, Austria and Japan, each about \$500,000. Japan also demands a similar sum as compensation for another matter, and negotiations are proceeding in regard to the claim.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS.

PEKING, Jan. 15.

The Russian Government insists that the Chinese troops in Mongolia shall be withdrawn before the takes any action in the matter.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LABOUR TROUBLE.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

A patrol of the Imperial Light Horse found a quantity of dynamite on Tuesday morning at Pooyessa, on the Ruef Line.

Stealing and Arresting.

A mob on Tuesday morning stoned the police, who ultimately dispersed than at the point of the bayonet. Two of the strikers were wounded. There were 17 arrests close to the cordon of police around the Trades Hall, in which there are between 200 and 300 armed men who have sworn to resist all attempts to storm the Hall. The light and water has been cut off, and the police have made no attempt at a raid, considering that the inmates are as good as jailed, and that they can arrest them at their leisure.

The situation at midnight was quiet. The Government has obviously a strong grip of the situation.

Rigorous Punishment.

A telegram from Durban states that a court-martial sentenced the signalmen who stopped the train upon which was the fireman who was maltreated by strikers, to 12 months' hard labour.

Strike Collapsing: Leaders Arrested.

A telegram from Johannesburg states that the Trades Hall has surrendered unconditionally. Messrs Bain, Crawford, Wade, Ware, Mason and six other prominent leaders were arrested.

The railway strike is believed to be collapsing, 250 applied for reinstatement at Braamfontein.

THE REICHSTAG AND THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

LONDON, Jan. 16.

A telegram from Berlin states that the Budget Committee of the Reichstag rejected the vote of £2300 as a first instalment of £10,000 to be used for the purpose of holding the Olympic Games at Berlin in 1916.

DEATH OF A JAPANESE ADMIRAL.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

The death is announced of Admiral of the Fleet Count Ito, High Military Councillor.

Count Ito was born in the Satsuma Province, and entered the Japanese Navy in 1868. He was made Captain in 1882, and brought the *Nan'yō* home from England three years later. In the following year he was appointed Rear-Admiral and Commander of the Standing Squadron and Vice-Admiral in 1892. He fought the battle of Yalu with all the combined squadrons under his command in 1894 and in 1895 was appointed Chief of the Naval General Staff.

THE "COBEQUID" LOCATED.

All Rescued.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

A telegram from Yarmouth (Nova Scotia) states that the *Cobequid*, which is reported in yesterday's "China Mail," struck on the Grand Manan Island in the Bay of Fundy, was located on the Trinity Ledges when the fog lifted. Three steamers are standing by, and have rescued all aboard the unfortunate vessel.

AN ALARMING OCCURRENCE.

Big Fall of Masonry.

There was an alarming occurrence in Des Voeux Road Central last night. A big slab of granite, used as a lintel, fell from the third floor of No. 123 into the roadway, taking with it part of the brick veranda pillars. The masonry fell across the tram-lines, knocking down a number of telephone wires in its path, and for a time held up the electric cars. Des Voeux Road is generally very busy at 7.30 in the evening, but fortunately, when the fall occurred nobody was in the roadway near the spot.

The Fire Brigade was sent for, and the Captain Superintendent of Police and Mr. Wright, of the Public Works Department, hurried to the scene to superintend the removal of the debris and shoring up of the building. Shoring was at once commenced and the building was made quite safe by midday. The granite slab and brickwork must have weighed several tons.

SPORTING.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

Since the last notes were published the league tables have undergone considerable change. The Hongkong League game, R.G.A. v. R.G.A., gave a large crowd a much better match to look at than when they recently met in the U.S. League. The gunners dropped Green who had been playing listlessly but they fared no better than before, the sappers again deservedly gaining the spoils by the odd goal in three. When the gunners were one up and a goal awarded them things looked black indeed for the sappers but this was when the gunners named Green who is their "penalty" expert. Green was entrusted on this occasion but was unable to defeat Rogers with a straight shot. This escape seemed to give the sappers the slip they needed and for the rest of the game they were top dog. Tucker, their new recruit, had not a little to do with the unanimity existing in the sappers front rank and Lewis especially is finding the benefit of his assistance. This defeat gives the R.G.A. a holding acquaintance with the Club at the bottom of the table. This is not the gunners real form and some changes are necessary in the team, the backs do not appear too reliable and one or more of the backs of the 8th Co. R.G.A. might with advantage be tried as they have a good reputation in the 2nd Division matches, teams coming away from Stonecutters usually mentioning the hefty backs to be encountered there.

With so much about the R.G.A. next month will be very welcome. Meanwhile the R.G.A. play the H.M.S. *Tamar* tomorrow and the gunners ought to take the points. Green will probably be out again and if playing anything like his ordinary game should always be in the team. Only two seasons ago he played some brilliant football with Plymouth Argyle in the Southern League.

In the 2nd Division, Hongkong League the Moslems are doing well but it seems almost certain that the cup will again fall to the 8th Co. R.G.A. who are too strong for the other teams. The Moslems beat the University 3-1 on Wednesday at the Happy Valley.

The 2nd Division U.S. League table has changed owing to the Submarines withdrawing and according to rule all matches they have played are deleted. This drops the Police from pride of place and gives 8th Co. R.G.A. top position. Both these teams, 8th Co. R.G.A. and D.C.L.L. Rev. hold good positions. Next month should bring some exciting matches.

NO INTER-PORT MATCH THIS SEASON.

The Hon. Secretary, H.K.F.A., has received a cable from the Shanghai F.A. to the effect that they are unable to send a team to Hongkong this season. This was more or less expected, as it was known that they had a team touring in Japan. Perhaps the Association might arrange a big match locally for Easter Monday?

The League tables corrected to January 16 are appended.

1ST DIVISION, UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

P. W. D. L. F. A. P.
R.G.A. ... 3 0 1 3 1 4
Royal Engineers ... 3 2 0 1 5 2 4
D.C.L.L. ... 3 2 0 1 6 3 4
H.M.S. *Tamar* ... 3 0 0 3 1 9 0

2ND DIVISION, UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

P. W. D. L. F. A. P.
87th Coy., R.G.A. 11 6 3 2 10 14 15
Hongkong Police 10 6 2 2 24 11 14
88th Coy., R.G.A. 9 6 1 2 21 6 13
83rd Coy., R.G.A. 10 5 3 2 18 14 13
Tamar Res. ... 9 4 2 3 14 11 10
D.C.L.L. Res. ... 6 4 1 1 15 5 9
D.C.L.L. Band. ... 9 3 2 5 15 16 8
R.E. Reserves ... 10 3 2 5 12 22 8
Staff and Dept. ... 9 1 1 7 8 23 3
D.C.L.L. Engineers ... 0 1 10 7 30 1

HONGKONG LEAGUE, DIV. 1.

Hongkong R.C. ... 5 4 0 1 15 4 8
87th Coy., R.G.A. 11 6 3 2 10 14 15
University F.C. ... 3 0 0 3 1 12 0
B.C.C. ... 2 0 0 2 0 3 0

HONGKONG LEAGUE, DIV. 2.

Moslem R.C. ... 5 4 0 1 15 4 8
88th Coy., R.G.A. 11 6 3 2 10 14 15
University F.C. ... 3 0 0 3 1 12 0
B.C.C. ... 2 0 0 2 0 3 0

HONGKONG COLLEGE SPORTS.

The first annual school sports of the pupils attending the Hongkong College Ellis Kadocrof Chinese School Society were held this afternoon at the Chinese Recreation Club.

ASSOCIATION.

HONGKONG LEAGUE, 1ST DIVISION.

Hongkong F.C. v. R.E.

To be played on the Hongkong Ground to-morrow at 4 p.m. sharp.

Referee, Surgt. A. A. Wilson.

The following will represent the H.K.F.A.—Goal—N. C. Cope; Backs—A. J. Stalker and H. D. Brown; Half Backs—F. R. Long, W. B. Riddon, R. C. Brown, Edwards, M. J. Railton, H. Walker, C. Edgcumbe, I. L. Goldring, and P. Wilkie.

HONGKONG LEAGUE TABLE.

P. W. D. L. F. A. P.
D.C.L.L. ... 2 2 0 0 1 4 8
L.E. ... 3 1 1 1 4 1 8
R.G.A. ... 2 1 2 1 0 1 2
H.M.S. *Tamar* ... 1 1 0 0 0 0 0
H.K.F.O. ... 4 0 1 3 1 3

H.M.S. *Tamar* v. R.G.A.

United Services League, Div. 1. Naval ground 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. A. P. Storke. R.G.A. team—M. G. Longford, Cox; West Brook, Mullin, Townsend, Dallman, Green, Edwards, M. J. Railton, H. Walker, C. Edgcumbe, I. L. Goldring, and P. Wilkie.

Changchow will be represented to-morrow in the league match against Kowloon by the following team:—A. Rose, E. L. Bragg, G. E. Hancock, H. H. Taylor, R. Peacock, G. E. Lee, F. K. Tata, H. Davies, W. H. Viveash, I. D. Norris and R. Bent.

HONGKONG SUMMARY COURT.

AN AIRING DEFENDANT.

A case was mentioned before His Honour Mr. Justice Compton (Puisne Judge) in the Summary Court this morning in which Harry Wickling and Co. are suing Lee Hing and another to recover the sum of \$1,000.

Mr. R. C. F. Hill, who appeared for the defendant, informed his Lordship that his client had developed a severe abscess in the leg, which would disable him from standing in the witness box.

Mr. C. Willson (for plaintiff)—It came on rather suddenly on the day of the trial.

Mr. Fitchell—Even if it did come on suddenly I did not order it. I believe it is broken, and my client is on the way to recovery.

The hearing was adjourned for week.

CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT AS DEFENDANT.

In the Summary Court this morning two cases in which the Captain Superintendent of Police figures as defendant were called on. In one, Ma Yuk Fai is proceeding against him to recover the sum of \$1,000, "n" in the other the plaintiff is named Ma Kwan, and the action is for the return of a bag.

Mr. Norrington (of Mr. G. K. Hall Britton's office) represented the plaintiff, and Mr. P. M. Hodgson (Assistant Crown Solicitor) appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Hodgson informed his Lordship that the cases were adjourned sine die but he had now in the other the plaintiff is named Ma Kwan, and the action is for the return of a bag.

Mr. Norrington—I don't know why.

Mr. Hodgson—I want fuller particulars.

Mr. Norrington—I have given my friend the fullest particulars possible.

Mr. Norrington—I am not fully informed.

Mr. Hodgson—I want to know the contents of that bag. I know it contained notes, but I want to know how many, and when they were received.

His Lordship (to Mr. Norrington)—You had better give particulars.

Mr. Norrington—It is very difficult indeed. This is the sequel to a recent case in which the plaintiffs were tried criminally. The two bags were full of notes.

Mr. Norrington—I don't know about a balance.

Mr. Norrington—I have since been informed that the balance has been altered since I saw it. I can attest what the balance was when I took delivery of \$6,000 notes.

Mr. Hodgson—I want to know exactly the number of the notes. We say we have hundred over all the notes.

His Lordship (to Mr. Norrington)—You must make out the list of particulars you are able to give.

Mr. Norrington—I can go as far as to say that on a certain day I saw in the possession of the defendant a number of notes to the value of \$2,340, but I cannot specify which is which.

Mr. Norrington—I want to

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

HOMeward PASSENGER SEASON, 1914.
PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERSMARSEILLES & LONDON,
TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.

THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Connecting Steamer "Oriental" Leave YOKOHAMA	Steamers to COLOMBO	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave HONG- KONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARES- SILES and LONDON	Due at MARES- SILES	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
Jan. 8 Thurs.	Tues.	noon Sat.	Friday		Feb. 13	Feb. 19
Jan. 8	EGYPT	Jan. 13	17 MOLULTAN		Feb. 27	Mar. 5
Jan. 22	CHINA	27 Jan.	31 M. REA		Mar. 13	Mar. 19
Feb. 5	INDIA	1 Feb.	14 MALOJO		Mar. 27	Apr. 2
Mar. 5	ASIA	24 Feb.	28 M. MORMA		Apr. 10	Apr. 16
Mar. 19	INDIA	10 Mar.	14 MOLDAVIA		Apr. 24	Apr. 30
Mar. 23	DEVANAH	24 Mar.	28 MEDINA		May 8	May 14
Apr. 3	ARACAJA	Apr. 11	11 MONGOLIA		May 22	May 29
Apr. 16	DELTA	Apr. 23	23 MALWA		June 5	June 11
Apr. 30	ASSAFA	May 5	9 MOOLTAN		June 6	

THE ATTENTION of Passengers is drawn to the Accelerated Arrival of the Mail Steamers at Marseilles, Plymouth & London. These vessels will now arrive in Marseilles on Friday & London on the following Friday. Arrangements are also being made whereby passengers by the P. & O. Special Train from Marseilles will now arrive in London at 3.35 p.m. on Saturdays.

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and thus for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved.

Arrangement in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Marseilles at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON AND MARESILES

The Fares to London and Marseilles are as follows:-

LONDON.		MARESILES.	
1st SALOON "A"	Accommodation SINGLE	1st SALOON "A"	Accommodation SINGLE
2nd SALOON "A"	£265.	2nd SALOON "A"	£265.
2nd SALOON "B"	£245.	2nd SALOON "B"	£245.
1st SALOON "B"	£240.	1st SALOON "B"	£240.
2nd SALOON "B"	£235.	2nd SALOON "B"	£235.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS
INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSPORT) STEAMERS
WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON

CARRYING 1st AND 2nd SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	Leave YOKOHAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H'KONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at MARESILES	Due at LONDON
BORNEO	about	about	about	about	about	about
MANAN	Jan. 6	Jan. 21	Jan. 27	Feb. 23	Mar. 4	Mar. 18
NIANZA	Jan. 20	Jan. 1	Feb. 10	Mar. 9	Mar. 18	Mar. 23
NOVA	Feb. 17	ob.	Mar. 4	Mar. 10	Apr. 6	Apr. 15
NUILE	Mar. 3	Mar. 14	Mar. 18	Mar. 24	Apr. 21	Apr. 30
NUJIVA	Mar. 17	Mar. 23	Apr. 1	Apr. 7	May 5	May 14
NURIA	Mar. 31	Apr. 11	Apr. 15	Apr. 21	May 19	May 28
RAMUR	Apr. 14	Apr. 25	Apr. 29	May 6	June 3	June 12
All New Steamer	Apr. 28	May 8	May 13	May 20	June 18	June 27

These Steamers call also at PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG, and COLOMBO.

FARES TO LONDON

1st SALOON £250 SINGLE £275 RETURN.
2nd £235FARES TO "MARESILES":
1st Saloon £26 Single.
2nd Saloon £233

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy.

THE ABOVE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO A SURTAX OF 10%.

For further particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
BREMEN

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

STEAMERS	Leave YOKOHAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H'KONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at MARESILES	Due at LONDON
STAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, LUTZOW, LISBON, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	WEDNESDAY, (17.300)	21st Jan.	at 10 a.m.			
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, GOEBEN, KODE & YOKOHAMA	About (17.300)	22nd Jan.				
MANILA, YAP, MARONI, PRINZ SIGISMUND, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	SATURDAY, (6.750)	24th January, at 8 a.m.				
KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR, Capt. O. Jurany,	About (6.100)	TUESDAY, 1st Feb.			
JESSELTON, KUDAT AND BORNEO, MANDAKAN	BORNEO, Capt. J. Koehler.	WEDNESDAY, 4th February, at 8 a.m.				

All the steamers of the European Line are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy. New System of Telefunken.

FREIGHT LINE.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HOMeward.

Steamship	about 1914	For Marseilles, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: S.S. MARE about Middle of March.
MARE	2nd Feb.	For Havre, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen: S.S. TUBINGEN about End of March.
TUBINGEN	16th Feb.	For Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: S.S. LOTHARINGEN about Middle of April.
LOTHARINGEN	2nd March	For Havre, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen: S.S. THUERINGEN about Beginning of May.
THUERINGEN	16th March	Head Office for the Far East: 16, DE VILLE ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
FRANKEN	30th March.	For Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: S.S. FRANKEN about Middle of May.
GOTTINGEN	13th April.	For Hars, Dunkirk, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen: S.S. GOETTINGEN about Beginning of June.

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MELCHERS & CO.
GENERAL AGENTS.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HEAD OFFICE—LUDGATE CIRCUS, LONDON, E.C.

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